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To: Supervisor Gloria Molina, Chair
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SACRAMENTO UPDATE

Federal Child Support Automation Penalty

The Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Michael Leavitt, approved the State's request to delay payment of the entire Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2006 Child Support Automation penalty of \$167 million until September 2006. The approval allows the State to continue operating the Child Support Program in Fiscal Year 2005-06 without the loss of the program's Federal share of funds. The State still owes \$218 million for FFY 2005, but that amount is included in the Governor's Proposed Budget.

Pursuit of County Position on Legislation

AB 338 (Levine), as introduced, would require the State Department of Transportation (Caltrans) to use increasing amounts of crumb rubber from waste tires in State highway, construction, and repair projects. Specifically, AB 338 requires the State to use not less than 20 percent crumb rubber, by ton, of the total amount of asphalt paving materials used on and after January 1, 2007, and increases this amount to 25 percent by 2010, capping the crumb rubber mix in asphalt to not less than 35 percent by 2013.

The Department of Public Works (DPW) anticipates that under AB 338, hundreds of thousands of waste tires would be diverted from landfill disposal. DPW recommends that the County support AB 338, and we concur. Support for AB 338 is consistent with existing policy to support legislation that would encourage the use of asphalt containing

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crumb rubber on highway construction and repair projects constructed by governmental agencies and industry. In addition, last year the County supported AB 338 (Levine), a substantially similar bill which would have capped the crumb rubber mix in asphalt to not less than 50 percent instead of 35 percent in the current version. **Therefore, our Sacramento advocates will support AB 338.**

AB 338 is set for hearing on April 4, 2005 in the Assembly Transportation Committee. Support and opposition to this measure is currently unknown.

We will continue to keep you advised.

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